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Re:

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Conjugate for Gene Transfer Comprising Oligonucleotide and

Hydrophilic Polymer, Polyelectrolyte Complex Micelles Formed from

the Conjugate, and Methods for Preparation Thereof

Inventors: JEONG et al.

Our Ref: 2229.0020000/JUK/KPQ/X-S

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action is an Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

The above-listed document is filed electronically through EFS-Web.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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